



**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2837**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This Amendment is provided in response to the Office Action mailed March 10, 2006, for which a response is due on July 10, 2006, with a one-month extension of time. A Petition for a one-month extension of time is provided at page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are provided beginning at page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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